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TO : Director of Training
 VIA : Chief, Operations School

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FROM : Chief, Headquarters Training

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report No. 19
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I. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

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A. [REDACTED]: At the request of DDTR, I met with DTR and DDTR on the morning of 7 May to discuss, in detail, some of the ramifications of the [REDACTED] concepts paper which was described in WAR 18. Later the same day, [REDACTED] 25X1A9A Staff's case officer for the program, again called me to request assistance in preparing a memorandum on the subject for the State Department. Jim was particularly interested in help in terms of describing the capabilities and facilities "in broad terms" which were currently available in OTR. I told him that a statement along these lines could originate only with the DTR and again urged him to have [REDACTED] call and arrange a meeting with DTR. [REDACTED] dropped in to see me on 11 May following his meeting with DTR and gave me a copy of a memorandum prepared on the "Latin American" project which he said he had discussed with DTR. The memorandum indicated that similar memo-25X1A8A randa would be forthcoming from WH Division and the [REDACTED] Staff. I called [REDACTED] who 25X1A9A is in a TDY status at WH, and asked him to provide us with a copy when the division had completed its paper. He said he would. I have also contacted the two PP Staff elements.

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B. PP Policy: [REDACTED] made his first appearance before an OTR audience since his return from [REDACTED] on 11 May, opening day for the [REDACTED] Course. [REDACTED] memorandum of 11 May 1959 adequately covers Tracy's talk so that I should not elaborate on it in this report. Surprisingly, [REDACTED] has 22 students. Although the caliber of the class may not be quite as high as some of the preceding classes we have had, one important distinction is quite obvious with the present group of students: they need familiarization in PP. I gave them a two-hour talk on mass media operations on Tuesday, 12 May and found the group receptive and eager for knowledge. There was considerable evidence of avid note-taking and the questions that were asked were reasonable and probing.

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C. S & T Training: S & T No. 2 ended on Friday, 11 May and preliminary checks of the students critiques indicates clearly that there was unanimous agreement as to the worth of the instruction.

[REDACTED] are working on the course report which

will be forwarded next week. On 11 May, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Staff kicked off the S & T block of instruction at [REDACTED] and apparently did a most effective job. Stan reports that their presentation was applauded by the JOT's. On 11 May I met with [REDACTED]

to discuss ways of increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of cover and travel arrangements for student and instructor personnel for future

runnings of the S & T Course. We are agreed that student enrollments should be cut off at least a week before the start of the course and

that the designated students and alternates then be required to report

for [REDACTED] so that we can handle the problem of [REDACTED]

ment documentation without crash and fuss.

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D. Military Training: Glen and I met with [REDACTED] of TSS on 11 May regarding an informal request from the military for training by the Agency. [REDACTED] also sat in for most of the

meeting. I understand that Glen has reported to you on this matter personally so that I will not cover the discussions. We are prepared, however, to plan for course content and scheduling whenever we are directed to do so.

E. [REDACTED] Incident: This was reported by separate memorandum dated 12 May.

II. OTHER ITEMS

A. Armed Forces Staff College: Final arrangements for CIA's participation in the Armed Forces Staff College program at Norfolk on 21 May were made on Saturday, 9 May at a meeting with Col. James McMaken, the project officer. [REDACTED] is the only member of

OTR involved in this running of the course and is scheduled to speak for 15 minutes on Evasion and Escape. Fil [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] will instruct in a special program on E & E and

[REDACTED] is the other Agency representative and he will go to Norfolk by commercial air.

B. Space Requirements: [REDACTED] and I planned "outside space" requirements which would be needed by Headquarters Training, Operations School, at a meeting on 7 May.

C. [REDACTED] held preliminary talks on 12 May on the 2-day package program which John is preparing for audio surveillance and audio countermeasures training. We hope to receive the package from John in the near future and will check it out with the proper staffs for policy, content, etc.

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D. Interrogation: [REDACTED] attended a much-touted presentation on POW interrogation at the Pentagon on 8 May. Although Clark reports that participants in each of the skits performed well, he found the presentation, including the films, old stuff and of little practical worth.

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E. IRRR: Three enrollees in IRRR failed to report on opening day, Monday, 11 May. One of them, [REDACTED] of FE, because of the need to leave for overseas earlier than originally planned had taken the IRF and tutorial training from [REDACTED]. Another, Shirley [REDACTED] of the Africa Division, cancelled for the second time at the last minute. The third, [REDACTED] of NE dropped out because of sickness that required surgical treatment.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE

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Personnel: [REDACTED] was on sick leave beginning 7 May. Peter, as you know, will go PCS to the [REDACTED] effective 1 June. She will, however, return to Headquarters in June to assist in the conduct of IRRR, in the event this is necessary. We will not require Peter's services if the enrollment is such that it is susceptible to tutorials, rather than formal classroom training.

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[REDACTED] will be leaving for FE [REDACTED] on 1 June.

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[REDACTED] reports to FI/RI on 1 June.

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Final arrangements for [REDACTED] transfer to [REDACTED] have been completed. [REDACTED] has agreed to a reporting date of 15 July, which I suggested. This will give us an opportunity to familiarize [REDACTED] with the history, problems and requirements of the course; complete a thorough staff study and recommendation as to desirable improvements in the course; and provide [REDACTED] with an opportunity to take leave before reporting to his new assignment. [REDACTED] will leave Headquarters Training between the 19th and 24th of June.

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I have continued to work with Elmer on the problem of replacements but, to date, most of the files we receive are of personnel who do not have the qualifications we require. Glen is attempting to reach [REDACTED] to check the latter's reaction to releasing [REDACTED] would be an excellent addition to the staff. He has considerable experience in military intelligence, Agency war planning, liaison and related activities.

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